

## Summary of WG2: Semi-leptonic & Rare Decays

participants: 22 theorists  
13 experimentalists  
  
lots of room for more!

## What can we learn?

### ① FCNC decays

ex:  $B \rightarrow K^* \mu^+ \mu^-$

- new physics

- measure form factors for  $B \rightarrow \rho e \bar{\nu}$

### ② Semileptonic

-  $V_{ub}, V_{cb}$  (but will presumably do better at  $e^+e^-$  machines)

- testing Heavy Quark Expansion (particularly in  $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda_c e \bar{\nu}$ )

### ③ Radiative decays

(ex:  $B_s \rightarrow \varphi \pi^\pm$ )

- competitive?

# ① FCNC's

Modes:

$$B \rightarrow K^{(*)} l^+ l^- , \varphi l^+ l^- \\ \rightarrow X_S l^+ l^-$$

$$B_{d\bar{s}} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$$

$$B \rightarrow K^* e\mu, e\mu \quad ("tooth\ fairy\ modes")$$

$b \rightarrow s l^+ l^-$ : additional constraints on new physics over  $b \rightarrow s \gamma$

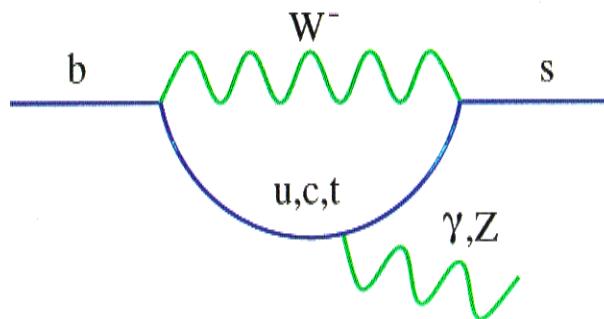
Exclusive:  $B \rightarrow K^{(*)} l^+ l^- , \varphi l^+ l^-$   
- expect  $\mathcal{O}(10^2)$  events

Goals:  $\frac{d\Gamma}{dm_{ll}}$ ,  $\frac{d\Gamma}{dE_\ell}$ ,  $M_{ll}^\circ$  (forward-backward asymmetry-less model dependent?)

$\Rightarrow$  extract form factors, combine with CLEO measurement of  $B \rightarrow \rho \ell \nu$  via  $SU(3)$  to measure  $|V_{ub}|$

## FCNCs Induced at One Loop

- In the SM, Flavor Changing Neutral Currents (FCNCs) are forbidden at tree level. For instance,  $b \rightarrow s$  transitions can only occur starting at one loop:



- These transitions are sensitive to heavy physics in the loop. For instance, in the SM  $b \rightarrow s$  is dominated by the top-W loop.  
=> Test of the SM.
- Physics beyond the SM contributing to the loop could give large deviations. E.g.: In SUSY, contributions from charged scalars, gauginos and squarks could lead to deviations of  $\mathcal{O}(1)$ .

## $B \rightarrow X_s \ell^+ \ell^-$

- More complexity:  $\gamma$ -penguin + Z-penguin + box diagrams. Short distance is now determined by  $C_7$  plus  $C_9$  and  $C_{10}$ , where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{O}_9 &= \frac{e^2}{16\pi^2} (\bar{s}_L \gamma_\mu b_L)(\bar{\ell} \gamma^\mu \ell) \\ \mathcal{O}_{10} &= \frac{e^2}{16\pi^2} (\bar{s}_L \gamma_\mu b_L)(\bar{\ell} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \ell) \end{aligned}$$

- Additional observables. Dilepton mass distribution, angular distributions (e.g. forward-backward asymmetry for leptons). More handles to disentangle new physics. For instance:  $\text{sgn}(C_7)$  not known from  $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ .
- Theoretically clean. Similar sources of uncertainty as from  $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$  (renormalization scale and scheme dependence, initial state Fermi motion, ...).
- Theoretical prediction:  
 $Br^{\text{th.}}(B \rightarrow X_s \ell^+ \ell^-) \simeq (6 - 8) \times 10^{-6}$ .  
 Experimental bounds:  
 $Br^{\text{exp.}}(B \rightarrow X_s \ell^+ \ell^-) < 5.7 \times 10^{-5}$ .

## Exclusive vs. Inclusive Decays

- Inclusive Modes:  $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ ,  $B \rightarrow X_s \ell^+ \ell^-$ , ...
  - Theoretically cleaner. They have small theoretical uncertainties mostly from perturbative QCD and other controlled approximations such as the HQET and the OPE.
  - Experimentally more challenging. Need clean detector environment for precise measurements.
- Exclusive Modes:  $B \rightarrow K^* \gamma$ ,  $B \rightarrow K^* \mu^+ \mu^-$ , ...
  - Large theoretical uncertainties from hadronic form-factors. The stuff of Lattice calculations. Symmetries and related tricks may help in *some* cases.
  - Cleaner experimental signals, especially at hadron colliders.

## $B \rightarrow \mu\mu K^{(*)}$ results

At 90% C.L.:

- $Br(B^+ \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-K^+) < 5.2 \times 10^{-6}$
- $Br(B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-K^{*0}) < 4.0 \times 10^{-6}$
- **CLEO has limits, at  $\sim 9 \times 10^{-6}$**

## Run II triggers

Studying possible triggers. Current plan:

- one CMP with  $p_T > 3 \text{ GeV}/c$   
other anywhere with  $p_T > 1.5 \text{ GeV}/c$
- or two anywhere with displaced (SVT) track

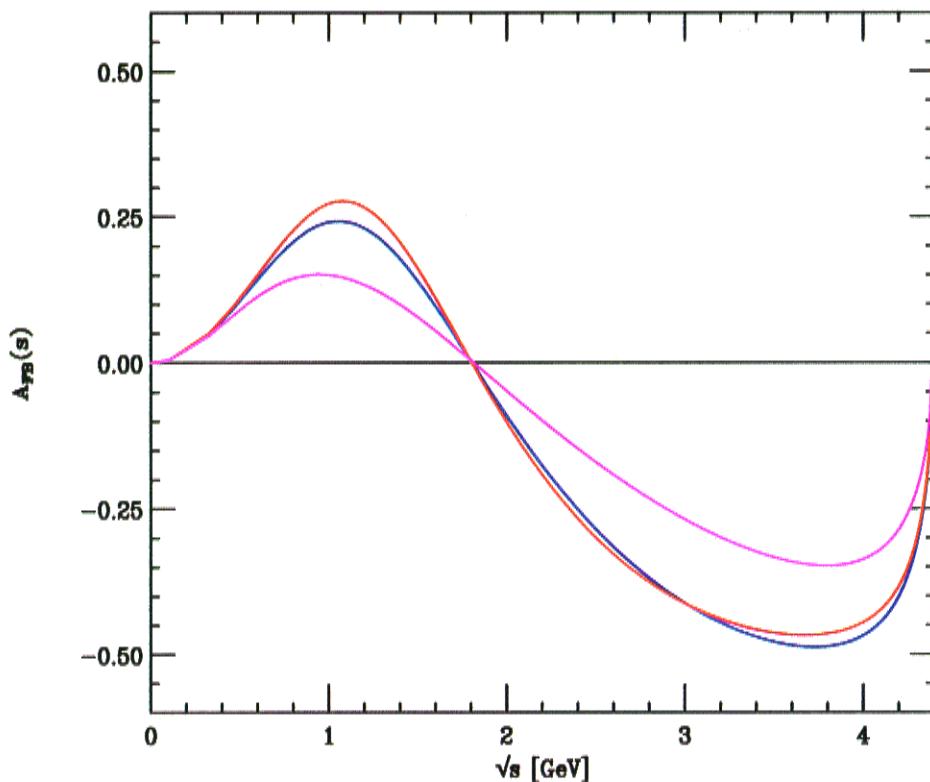
Food for thought (*W. Wester*)

- inclusive search  $B \rightarrow \mu\mu X$ , where  $X$  is:
  - one or more tracks
  - displaced vertex

## $B \rightarrow K^* \ell^+ \ell^-$

- Hadronic uncertainties large from various form-factors. Almost all observables affected but these large theoretical errors.
- Hope:
  - Lattice calculations of weak transition matrix elements => predictions for form-factors.
  - Heavy Quark Spin Symmetry: relates the  $B \rightarrow K^* \ell^+ \ell^-$  form-factors to the semileptonic form-factors in  $B \rightarrow \rho \ell \nu$ .
  - Forward-backward asymmetry zero:  $A_{FB}(m_{\ell\ell})$  has a zero in the SM. The value of  $m_{\ell\ell}$  for which  $A_{FB}(m_{\ell\ell}) = 0$  (seems to be) free of hadronic uncertainties.
- May be best rare  $B$  mode at Tevatron: Clean signal and largest branching ratio.  
 $Br^{\text{th.}}(B \rightarrow K^* \ell^+ \ell^-) \simeq (1 - 5) \times 10^{-6}$
- Current limits:  $Br^{\text{exp.}}(B \rightarrow K^* \ell^+ \ell^-) < 10^{-5}$  from CLEO, CDF.

\* The ratio  $R_V$  is very stable across models!



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Stech, Phys. Lett. B354, 447 (1995).

→ LCSR: Ball and Braun, Phys. Rev. D55, 5561 (1997).

→ MNS: Melikhov, Nikitin and Simula, Phys. Lett. B410, 210  
(1997).

## Inclusive: $B \rightarrow X_s l^+ l^-$

- theoretically clean (model-independent)
- DØ has already placed limits based on high invariant mass region  $\square$  ( $3.7 \text{ GeV} < m_{l^+ l^-} < 4.9 \text{ GeV}$ )

Current limit:  $< 4.2 \times 10^{-5}$  (CLEO)

SM:  $6-8 \times 10^{-6}$

Run II: expect  $\mathcal{O}(10^3)$  events

NB: Physics background: signal is 100:1 (with only invariant mass cuts) - need to study!

- Strong competition from CLEO
- need strategies beyond cutting on lepton invariant mass (vertexing, impact parameter, pseudo-reconstruction...)

Theory: OPE may break down in high invariant mass region (like  $B \rightarrow X_s l^+ l^-$  near endpoint)  
- may need shape fits analysis (underway)

## ② Semileptons

- exclusive modes are understood via HQET

- major task capability is study of

$$\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda_c l \bar{\nu}$$

all form factors are related to a single universal function, including  $1/M_b$  corrections

Exp't: goal is to measure form factors

- need to reconstruct  $\pi^0$  (coF: 3D vertexing)
- need  $q^2$  spectrum (need large sample)
- absolute or relative normalization?

Theory: determine the useful observables

Missions:

$B \rightarrow D^{(*)} l \bar{\nu}$  - validate techniques

$B_c \rightarrow \Xi/\Xi' l \bar{\nu}$  (test NRQCD)

### ③ Radiative Penguins

$$B \rightarrow K^* \gamma$$

$$B_s \rightarrow \ell \bar{\ell} \gamma$$

- CDF is planning dedicated triggers for these modes
- $B \rightarrow K^* \gamma$  also accessible at  $e^+ e^-$ ; not clear Tevatron will be competitive

$$B \rightarrow X_S \gamma$$

- inclusive mode is more difficult than  $B \rightarrow X_S \mu^+ \mu^-$
- BTeV will study